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Applicant(s): Novaes et al.

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INVENTION: **METHOD, SYSTEM AND PROGRAM PRODUCTS FOR MANAGING PROCESSING GROUPS OF A DISTRIBUTED COMPUTING ENVIRONMENT**

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Response To Office Action

Dear Sir:

This Response to Office Action is being submitted in reply to the Office Action mailed October 19, 2005 for the above-referenced patent application. A response to the Office Action was initially due on or before January 19, 2006, and thus, a Request For Extension Of Time and the requisite fee are enclosed herewith. Therefore, this Response is being timely filed.

Amendments to claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.